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SUBJECT:SCS: DEATH OF US CITIZEN JOSEPH KRENGEL

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1. AMCONGEN ANTWERP ADVISED THE EMBASSY THAT KRENGEL'S US CITIZEN DAUGHTER, JOYCE KRENGEL HAS BEEN INFORMED OF FATHER'S DEATH.

2. FOR DEPARTMENT'S INFORMATION: ALTHOUGH OFFICIAL POLICE AND MEDICAL REPORTS STATE KRENGEL DIED AS A RESULT OF SELF-INFLICTED GUNSHOT WOUND AT APPROXIMATELY 8:30 A.M. ON SEPT 25 IN HIS MONROVIA APARTMENT, POLICE ARE CONDUCTING FULL INVESTIGATION IN ATTEMPT TO ELIMINATE POSSIBILITY OF FOUL PLAY. UNFORTUNATELY, INITIAL INVESTIGATION WAS DEFICIENT IN MANY ASPECTS DUE TO UNPROFESSIONAL WORK OF INVESTIGATORS. LOCAL MEMBERS OF THE JEWISH COMMUNITY WHO KNEW KRENGEL WELL, STATE THAT PRIOR TO HIS DEATH HE WAS SUFFERING FROM DEEP DEPRESSION DUE TO FINANCIAL TROUBLES; THEY WOULD THEREFORE CONCUR WITH POLICE REPORT THAT KRENGEL COMMITTED SUICIDE.

3. LOCAL POLICE OFFICIALS HAVE ASKED THE EMBASSY WHETHER IT WOULD BE POSSIBLE TO CHECK THE RECORDS OF US INVESTIGATORY AGENCIES TO SEE WHETHER ANY INFORMATION ON KRENGEL IS AVAILABLE. COULD THE DEPT COMPLY WITH THIS REQUEST.

4. KRENGEL'S PARTNER, A. SANKO BAYO, A LIBERIAN CITIZEN,
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OF NUMBER 9, NEWPORT STREET STATES HE WILL ASSUME RESPON-

SIBILITY FOR KRENGEL'S PERSONAL EFFECTS AFTER POLICE COMPLETE
INVENTORY. CONOFF WILL DETERMINE WHETHER SANKO BAYO OR ANY
OTHER PERSON IS IN FACT A LEGAL REPRESENTATIVE AS DESCRIBED
IN 22 USC 1175. KRENGEL'S APARTMENT ON RANDALL STREET IN
DOWNTOWN MONROVIA HAS BEEN SEALED BY POLICE. CONOFF WILL BE
PRESENT WHEN POLICE CONDUCT INVENTORY.
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